MARYKNOLL TOWNSHIP
This policy applies to the Maryknoll township.

Policy basis
Maryknoll is a small low density township set in the foothills north of the Princes Highway near the Bunyip State Park. Maryknoll has a distinctive character based on its historical establishment as a rural community, the low density lots generally in the range of 0.8ha to 1.2ha, and the environmental attributes of the township including significant areas of remnant vegetation.

This policy seeks to maintain the environmental characteristics of the township while allowing for its limited growth.

This policy assists in the implementation of the objectives and strategies in the Municipal Strategic Statement in relation to townships.


Objectives
- To protect the environmental qualities which contribute to the rural character of Maryknoll.
- To provide for the limited growth of the Maryknoll township.

Policy
It is policy that:
- The low density character of the Maryknoll township be maintained with new residential lots in the range of 0.8ha to 1.2ha.
- The boundary of the Maryknoll township be defined by Snell Road, Mortimer Road, Fogarty Road and Wheeler Road, and that new residential lots either be contained within this boundary or fronting onto these roads if the land is not of environmental significance.
- While the existing poultry farm on the corner of Snell Road and Barongarook Road continues to operate, no new residential lots be created within 500 metres of the poultry buildings.
- The natural environment and character of the area be protected, particularly areas of remnant vegetation.
- As part of any new development, consideration be given to works to enhance the environment including the protection of waterways and remnant vegetation, weed control and revegetation.
- The siting and design of new buildings and works complement the rural character of the Maryknoll township, and not dominate the landscape.
- The design of any new development and the management of existing properties incorporate wildfire protection measures.
- As part of any new development, consideration be given to the need to upgrade roads providing access to the development, and whether a reticulated water supply should be provided to service the development.